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APPLICANT: Chaudhari et al.

GROUP: 1625

SERIAL NO: 09/628,158

EXAMINER: Taylor V. Oh

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FOR: AN IMPROVED PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF 2-ARYL
PROPIONIC ACID

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Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

This is a request for Continued Examination (CE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously
filed on _____

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously
filed on _____

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other _____

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAIL UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.10

I hereby certify that this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on 01/23/04 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number EV383544788US addressed to Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
- b. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17)
- c. ☐ Other _____

4. Fee Payment

- a. ☒ Check in the amount of \$880.00 enclosed
- b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the above fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-0079.

Respectfully submitted,



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AMENDMENT

In response to the office action mailed on September 23, 2003, and pursuant to a Request for Continued Examination, please amend the application as indicated on the attached sheets.

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